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Will This Issue Be My Favorite?

The worst thing about magazine journalism is that there are no second chances. Certainly if something displeases in one issue, there is an opportunity to learn from mistakes and to do things differently in the next edition. And that—to quote a famous magazine publisher—is a good thing.

But in every edition of every magazine, there's something that the editor wishes she could fix. And she wants to fix it now! No matter how impractical the idea, she wants to recall every copy and make changes before anyone else reads another word.

Unfortunately, the boring headline; the typo that remained hidden through multiple proof-reading sessions; the article that, upon publication, is not nearly as insightful as it seemed initially cannot be changed. These examples of imperfection are still "out there," still resting in magazine racks and lying on the bottom of bird cages and, in the case of *The Kappa Alpha Theta Magazine*, still housed permanently in the Fraternity archives.

Perhaps that's why it's impossible for me to say that I have a favorite issue of *The Magazine*. While there have been covers that I have loved and articles that have moved me and photos that have made me smile, there's always something else that makes me cringe. There's always something that I wish I could go back and tweak.

That said, I am fairly happy with this, the Winter 2005-06 issue. (Keep in mind, please, that I am writing this before publication, before thousands of copies have been printed and that ugly misspelling has reared its head.)

I'm delighted by the cover. It's "Theta-ful," commemorating our anniversary, and it's also festive, befitting the season.

I'm satisfied with the variety of articles: everything from an overview of the recent meeting of the National Panhellenic Conference (page 26) to an eyewitness record of the 1906 San Francisco earthquake contained in a Theta undergraduate's scrapbook (page 25) to a selection of photos of Theta facilities (page 29).

I'm pleased by the profile article beginning on page 18. Although we've

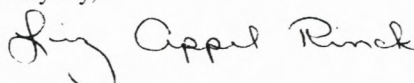
featured actors, authors, and television personalities, this issue offers the first profile in more than a decade of a radio star.

I'm proud of our coverage of Hurricane Katrina and its aftermath. As Fraternity President Karen Ledbetter writes in her Founders Day message (page 12), it is during disasters like Katrina that "... Thetas do what we do best—supporting one another and providing for others." On pages 4 and 5, you can read letters from Thetas impacted by the storm, and, beginning on page 22, more in-depth stories from both alumnae and collegians. Especially during this season, it is important to remember that the absence of the Gulf Coast from the daily news doesn't mean that everything is back to normal. It will take many years to rebuilt and revitalize New Orleans and other hurricane-ravaged areas.

Finally, this issue of *The Magazine* introduces a new feature, and I'm excited about the possibilities. "In Her Own Words" is a Q&A with a Theta who holds a unusual job, practices an intriguing hobby, or has had a recent adventure. The inaugural version, on page 21, introduces a designer who recently launched an on-line jewelry business.

When the Winter 2005-06 issue arrives in your mailbox, I hope that you're happy with it. Since—as I mentioned—I'm writing this a couple of weeks before publication, I hope that I'm still happy with it! Maybe this issue (I say this to myself four times a year.) will be "the one," the favorite that doesn't make me want to stage a massive recall.

Loyally,



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January 27, 2006, is Founders Day and marks Kappa Alpha Theta's 136th anniversary.



KAΘ ALUMNAE DIRECTORY

Harris Direct is currently helping KAΘ produce a new Fraternity alumnae directory to help you rekindle old friendships, discover previously unknown alumnae in your community, and find new Theta friends should you move to a new city. The directory will contain complete listings of alumnae, including e-mail addresses and professional and personal information, and will provide current information for our Fraternity database.

Please take the time to update your personal information when you are contacted by Harris Direct.

KAPPA ALPHA THETA MISSION STATEMENT

YESTERDAY, TODAY, AND TOMORROW,
KAPPA ALPHA THETA EXISTS TO NURTURE
EACH MEMBER THROUGHOUT HER COLLEGE
AND ALUMNAE EXPERIENCE AND TO OFFER
LIFELONG OPPORTUNITY FOR SOCIAL,
INTELLECTUAL, AND MORAL GROWTH
AS SHE MEETS THE HIGHER AND BROADER
DEMANDS OF MATURE LIFE.

LETTERS

HEART TO HEART

Editor's note: In the wake of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, Thetas everywhere sought to express their care and concern for their sisters in hurricane-affected areas. Individuals and alumnae and college chapters donated generously to the Friendship Fund, which provides gifts to Thetas experiencing extreme hardship due to devastating occurrences such as natural disasters. A letter about the availability of Friendship Fund gifts was sent via e-mail to Thetas living on the Gulf Coast, and information was also posted on the Fraternity website. We are pleased to print some of the responses to the letter.

I want to share a fantastic Theta sisterhood story with you! My daughter, Lauren, is a member of the Alpha Phi Chapter at Tulane. She and two fellow Thetas evacuated New Orleans on the Saturday before the hurricane hit, and they left virtually everything behind, thinking they'd be back on campus in a few days. As we now know, that was not the case!

The ensuing week was difficult for us: just watching the devastation in New Orleans, a city these girls love so much, was very tough emotionally. By Labor Day weekend, Lauren simply wanted to get to a school somewhere and get back to as close to 'routine' as possible. She had been accepted by the University of Georgia, and we'd been following the updates posted on the Theta website each day, so on Labor Day evening, she sent an e-mail to Gamma Delta Chapter president Katie Kimbrell.

Within an hour, Katie had returned the e-mail and called Lauren, encouraging her to join the UGA chapter for the year. Over the next several hours, Lauren also received e-mails from other Gamma Delta Chapter members, inviting her to join them for lunch and other activities around campus.

Within 24 hours, the chapter had welcomed her to their home, and she was greeted with banners, flowers and cards. I think she was overwhelmed by the sisterhood shown her by this fantastic group of girls.

Thankfully, our challenges are few compared to so many of the refugees



from New Orleans. And certainly, the love and generosity shown Lauren by her 'adopted' chapter has made the journey so much smoother. I'm confident her time with the Gamma Delta women will be one of the more memorable experiences she'll have in her college career!

I am a member of another Panhellenic organization, and over the years as Lauren's grown up, I've talked at great length about the many, many, many opportunities being a member of a Greek group can offer a young woman. Lauren's had the chance to see that in a most personal way, and I thank all Kappa Alpha Thetas, but particularly those at the University of Georgia, for opening their hearts and home to her.

**CINDI KURCZEWSKI
PROUD THETA MOM**

I don't think I truly understood the meaning of sisterhood until I read your letter this morning. It is amazing to know that in a time of crisis like this, there are people all over the country who care about me.

I initially evacuated to Houston, but I will return to Baton Rouge and finish nursing school there. LSU Nursing and Medical schools are located in New Orleans and suffered a lot of damage. My house and my family members are alive and well. However, the hospital I loved and considered a second home will have to be demolished. I am one of the lucky ones. A really good friend of mine, and a fellow Delta Kappa, lost everything; however, her family is safe.

Once again, I thank you for your generosity and well wishes. It was so nice to hear from people who care about

me, even though they do not know me. That is the true meaning of sisterhood. When I pledged, I did it for the parties, but now that I am an alum, I realize that there is a much stronger bond.

**KATIE BLUE
ΔK/LSU**

Thank you so much for the kind letter reaching out to those of us who were hit by Hurricane Katrina. My husband and I are safe, and we are currently staying with my family in New York. We didn't take much when we left, so these have been tough times. We are still not sure whether we have a home to go back to, but time will tell. We are both currently in our second year of residency training at Tulane, he in internal medicine and I in dermatology. Our programs are trying to figure out temporary relocation plans.

Obviously, this has been a very difficult time. Thank you again for your care and concern

**ALISON NEWMAN STALLINGS
ZZI/COLGATE**

Thank you so much for your concern and prayers. It is so good to know that there are good people like you out there, willing to help. I feel fortunate to tell you that all of my family and friends are safe and accounted for. Unfortunately, my husband and I live in St. Bernard Parish, and our home was victim to approximately 15 feet of water, along with our vehicles. At the time of the storm, I was working at Chalmette Medical Center as a nurse. I was stranded in this area for six days

with no communication with my family. We set up a MASH unit out of a nearby jail where our patients were air-lifted in helicopters to safety.

This has been an unbelievable life experience and is very humbling. So many people have offered help, and we are very thankful. Now that we are all united and have a roof over our heads, I feel like I couldn't ask for anything more. Thank you for your sincere e-mail, and please keep us in your prayers.

ELIZABETH VILLARRUBIA LOTT
ZY/SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI

I think that is wonderful that we are all willing to help! I live and work in Gulf Shores, Ala., and we only lost power for a few days. In comparison, we were very lucky. I have several pledge sisters and other sisters from the Delta Omicron Chapter at the University of Alabama who lived in New Orleans or their families did. Let us all keep them in our thoughts and prayers as they begin to rebuild their lives.

DANA CORLEY MILLS
ΔO/ALABAMA

Thank you for the e-mail that you sent to all of us affected by Katrina. I just wanted to let you know that it meant a lot that you were thinking of us. My uptown New Orleans house, while still standing, was ruined by the waters from the levee break. My husband and I evacuated before the storm, and so we are both safe.

I initially stayed with my sister in North Carolina but then moved to Baltimore to continue my internship. I was supposed to move to Baltimore next July for my residency in anesthesiology at Johns Hopkins—the timetable just got moved up by nine months. I am lucky to be employed, and my husband works in Africa and so his job wasn't affected, either. It will take time, but eventually we'll replace things. I'll probably look up the alumnae chapter in Baltimore—how could I not want to meet more of such a great group of people?

MEREDITH BRANDT ADAMS
ΑΦ/TULANE

My family is safe and sound living in Alexandria, La., which is between

New Orleans and Shreveport. We lived uptown, which is the highest area of New Orleans, but obviously, most were not as fortunate.

Please continue to gather clothes, school supplies, and money for the Red Cross and help out where you can. This is going to be a really long road, and we all need to lend a hand. To stay connected to New Orleans you can go to www.nola.com or www.wvltv.com for news.

KATIE LIND
BΣ/SMU

I lived in New Orleans for the past year working with Habitat for Humanity. My service was over on August 26, and I moved on the 27th. Then hurricane Katrina came on the 29th. I consider myself very lucky to have been in Mobile. I am currently volunteering with the relief effort, answering phones and sending work crews to clean up Mississippi. My heart goes out to all of those Thetas along the coast, and all I can say is **wow** regarding the friendship fund. I am so moved. Thank you.

ELIZABETH LAYTON
ZY/SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI

REACHING OUT

In September, a displaced family from New Orleans arrived in Richmond to live in our home. Nathaniel Harris and Bridgette Evans Harris and their seven children ages one through 12 were all under our roof, and we had a ball! We researched for a couple weeks about how we could fill our fun new home with a family who needed some shelter, and through our church (West End Presbyterian), we got the Harris/Evans family!

Until November 1, when the family moved into their own home, church members provided meals every night for 11, clothes, supplies, job finder assistance and housing. Three of the kids arrived with chickenpox, and almost everyone in the family had some sort of upper respiratory infection from the shelter in Texas, but all regained health quickly. Our neighborhood, church and school have all graciously poured out their love to this family. Allow me to introduce you to them.

Nathaniel Harris, 34, welder;

Bridgette Evans Harris, 23, mental health assistant; Victoria Harris, 20 months; Tyreal Evans, 3 (sweet as can be); Tykia Evans, 5 (I'd keep this one if I could, she loves to read); Tyrell Evans, 8 (just had his 8th birthday party); Kim Raymond Harris, 8 (playing football and loving it); Tynisha Evans, 9 (just got brand-new glasses so she can read at school); Nathaniel Harris, Jr., 12, (also playing football, tells me he is the fastest one on the team).

EVELYN JONES WALTER
ΓΔ/OHIO WESLEYAN

Editor's note: Cynthia McCaleb, who journeyed to Sri Lanka and Sumatra to aid tsunami victims, was featured in the Autumn 2005 issue of The Magazine.

Thank you so much for this opportunity to share my story. I know in my heart that the Lord wants us to build bridges. We are all so much alike. The tsunami victims so needed to hear that we wept for them that grim day after Christmas.

They so needed to know that hundreds of people made my trip possible, that I represented thousands, if not millions, of other women who wanted to be there to show them our loving concern. We so need to hear how they live as we do, love and grieve as we do.

I learned how the women kid each other about their husbands and boyfriends; they joke about the same intimate things that we do among close friends. In spite of the color of their skin and the shapes of their faces, their language with sounds that are next-to-impossible for our tongues to make, their religious and cultural practices that seem so ancient in origin, the similarities among us are deeper and more true than the differences will ever be. It was such a huge blessing to be able to go. Sharing the lessons I learned is part of the commitment I made. Thank you very much for helping me do so.

CYNTHIA THOMPSON MCCALED
ΔΘ/FLORIDA

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Friendship Fund

"I have been overwhelmed by my gift from the Friendship Fund. I have been thinking and thinking for days about some brilliant and clever thing I could say to convey my feelings that such an unconditional gift has been bestowed upon me. The conclusion I keep coming back to is to simply say from my heart, 'Thank you to Thetas everywhere and to all my dear Theta friends for the Friendship Fund and the comfort it has given me in this, my most fearful and sorrowful time.'"

When we are young, our vision of the future is often one that holds a bright promise of success and happiness. As we grow older, we find that real life can be very different. Who dreams of a future with catastrophic illness like cancer, natural disasters, or extreme personal financial distress? Certainly no one envisioned the destruction of the recent hurricanes. Yet, whether we expect them or not, many of us are affected by life-altering situations. Thanks to gifts from the Friendship Fund, Thetas in need have a source of comfort and financial support.

The Friendship Fund was established in 1926 to help Theta alumna sisters in need. Management of the fund was assumed by Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation in 1994. In 2003, the Foundation opened Friendship Fund eligibility to all members, both alumnae and collegian. During the past 80 years, the Friendship Fund has grown substantially from the first pennies contributed during Founders Day celebrations.

One important aspect of the Friendship Fund remains the confidentiality surrounding the giving of gifts. Members write on behalf of a sister, and the proposed recipient often never knows who recommended her for the gift. Equally important, a gift from the Friendship Fund is given without expectation of repayment.

"Theta for a lifetime" is a phrase heard at the beginning of membership in Kappa Alpha Theta. *The Friendship Fund is a tangible demonstration that the care and support of Theta members does last a lifetime.*

Gifts from the Friendship Fund are already assisting our sisters from the Gulf Coast area who lost homes and jobs because of last fall's hurricanes. While many individuals, college chapters, and alumnae chapters have donated to the Friendship Fund, the need is still great. To make a gift to the Friendship Fund, please mail a check made payable to the Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation to 8740 Founders Road, Indianapolis, IN 46268. Please note "Friendship Fund" on the memo line. Also, you may donate via www.kappaalphatheta.org. Thank you for your continued support!

Thanks to the following college and alumnae chapters who donated to the Friendship Fund in 2005.

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*This list was current as of November 8, 2005

THETA IN THE NEWS

The success of AlcoholEdu, the innovative online alcohol education program that Kappa Alpha Theta launched at all college chapters in 2002, was recently recognized by MTV News.

Although alcohol-related incidents kill nearly 1,400 college students per year, AlcoholEdu has an impressive success rate: 53 percent of those who have completed the course said it would change the way they use alcohol. The MTV article cites Kappa Alpha Theta as the first Greek group to mandate AlcoholEdu for all its members. To read the full text of the article, go to www.MTV.com and search for alcholedu.

NEW ALUMNAE CHAPTERS

Congratulations to the Richmond, Va., Alumnae Chapter; the Gainesville, Fla., Alumnae Chapter; and the Corpus Christi, Texas, Alumnae Chapter, which were granted charters by Grand Council in October. For more information on alumnae chapters, please turn to pages 14 and 15.

MILESTONE YEARS

The Fraternity headquarters staff comprises 18 people, two-thirds of whom have worked for Theta for more than five years! This year, Stephanie Mansell, assistant director of communications, and Kathy Young, finance assistant, celebrate their five-year anniversaries.

REUNIONS ANNOUNCED

BΦ/PENN STATE

The Diamond Jubilee reunion of the Beta Phi Chapter at Penn State will take place May 5-7, 2006. For additional information, please contact Marilyn Doan Jenkins (jgroup@aol.com or 814-231-2556).

BΞ/ALBERTA

The diamond anniversary of the Beta Chi Chapter at the University of Alberta will be celebrated May 19-21, 2006, at the Hotel McDonald in Edmonton, Alberta. For more information, please contact Jackie Kalmakoff Fetter (j4fetter@telus.net or 780-431-2667).

DISTRICT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCES

This January and February, more than 1,150 Thetas will gather in nine cities across the US for the sixth annual District Leadership Conferences (DLC). College chapter presidents and the vice-presidents finance, education, administration, development, external relations, and membership, plus advisors will receive education and training in leadership, personal development, and Theta-specific programs.

Dates and locations for DLC 2005 are below; more information is available at www.kappaalphatheta.org.

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Hyatt Regency Downtown
Indianapolis, Ind.
Jan. 20-22, 2006

District II

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Coraopolis, Pa.
Jan. 20-22, 2006

District III

Hyatt Harborside Logan Airport
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Dulles Airport Marriott
Dulles, Va.
Feb. 24-26, 2006

District V

Marriott Atlanta Airport
Atlanta, Ga.
Feb. 10-12, 2006

District VI

Marriott Dallas/Fort Worth Airport North
Irving, Texas
Feb. 3-5, 2006

District VII

Renaissance Montura Los Angeles
Airport Hotel
Los Angeles, Calif.
Feb. 10-12, 2006

District VIII

Marriott Portland Downtown Waterfront
Portland, Ore.
Jan. 27-29, 2006

District IX

Omaha Marriott
Omaha, Neb.
Jan. 20-22, 2006

ΔX/VIRGINIA

Delta Chi Chapter at the University of Virginia is planning a 30th anniversary celebration in Charlottesville, Va, the end of April.

More details will be available in our mailings and the discussion area of the Theta website. Please register your current contact information via either the website or by calling Fraternity headquarters. You may also contact Lauren Pirrung (Lbp6p@virginia.edu) for more information.

ΔΨ/UC RIVERSIDE

Members of the Delta Psi Chapter at UC Riverside will be celebrating the 30th anniversary of the chapter's founding on May 6, 2006, on the UC Riverside campus. For more information, please contact Erica Benson Hallock (behallock@comcast.net) or Jennifer Chapman Root (refinnej2000@aol.com or 626-374-5185) or go to www.geocities.com/KATdeltapsi/

PLANNING A REUNION?

If you are trying to locate Thetas from your chapter for a reunion, place a reunion notice in *The Magazine*! Send a brief notice to Reunions, *The Kappa Alpha Theta Magazine*, 8740 Founders Road, Indianapolis, IN 46268. Be sure to include a contact name, phone number, and e-mail address.

Notices for reunions to be held May through July must be received by January 31; for August through October, received by April 11; for November through January, received by July 11; and for February through April, by October 23.

WRITE TO US!

Do you have a comment about an article in this or any other issue of *The Magazine*? Do you have a Theta issue on your mind? Then let us hear from you! We are pleased to receive letters from our readers; we value your input.

Letters to *The Magazine* may be sent via mail (Liz Rinck, Kappa Alpha Theta, 8740 Founders Rd., Indianapolis, IN 46268), fax (317-876-1925), or e-mail (lrinck@kappaalphatheta.org). ♦

SNAPSHOTS



KATE COLLINGS, LACEY STORER, ALYSE HOWELL, WHITNEY CLARK, and LARA HASTINGS, ALL DELTA ETA, celebrated their graduation from KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY in May.



Wendy Humphrey, $\Gamma\Phi\Gamma$ /TCU, and Jennifer Crawford, EI/Westminster, vacationed together in Florence, Ore. Humphrey is a lawyer, living in Amarillo, Texas, and Crawford lives in Eugene, Ore., working as CFO with a management company.



Heather Brown, $\Delta\Omega$ /Texas A&M; Meghan McManus, $\Delta\Theta$ /Florida; Brittney Riley, Γ /Kentucky; and Carrie Badanes, BA/William & Mary, met while studying abroad in Spain. Together they traveled to Portugal and posed at the site that—before the European discovery of America—was believed to be the end of the world.

In late September, the Indianapolis Alumnae Chapter gathered for their first chapter meeting of the year to discuss revitalization and future plans. Nearly 40 Thetas attended the event. Debbie Allen, $\Delta\Theta$ /Florida, Fraternity vice-president alumnae, installed the newly elected officers of the group: President Wendy Goshert, Γ /Butler; President-Elect Kelly Johnson Oles, BK/Drake; Treasurer Liz

Copher Browning, A/DePauw; and Secretary Katie Mitchell, Γ /Butler.



Reverend **Beverley Conner McEachern**, BN/Florida State, celebrated her 25th year as an ordained priest in the Episcopal Church. One of the first women of 35 ordained nationally in the Episcopal Church, McEachern currently resides in Hamilton, Ga, where she serves as rector of St. Nicholas Church. As a cancer survivor herself, McEachern reaches out to community patients and families who have been affected by the disease.

Steva Austill,

ΔO /Alabama, director of paid media for DavisDenny Advertising and Related Services, was awarded the Media Director of the Year award for the third consecutive year. Austill is the only individual or firm in the history of the awards to have been recognized three years in a row.



The independent feature film *Crab Orchard*, produced by **Ruby Handler Jacobs**, A Δ /Washington, won the International Family Film Festival Director's Gold Award, and was chosen as the fest's favorite film by the event's board of directors in early October. *Crab Orchard* was also voted a finalist in the audience-chosen category Best Feature/Drama. Jacobs and her husband are the owners of the recently opened full-service film facility, Rio Grande Studios, in Albuquerque, NM.



Sister **Adele Rowland**, O/Southern California, is the winner of a 2005 Mother Teresa Award. Rowland, a member of the Dominican Sisters of San Rafael, is a photographer and describes her photography as a form of art ministry. Rowland is the only artist in the country who does photo montage as fine art in color.



Jody L. Johnson, BO/Iowa, was recently named to the "Top 50 Female Texas Super Lawyers 2005" list. Johnson is a partner in the family law firm of Allison & Johnson, LLP, in Plano, Texas.



Dia Davidson, $\Gamma\Delta$ /Georgia, wakes up

Lexington, Ky, every morning as the anchor for LEX18 News at Sunrise, a two-hour morning newscast. Davidson received her bachelor's in psychology in Georgia and then went on to receive her master's in print-broadcast journalism at Temple University. She is also a reporter for the Lex18 News at Noon and 12:30.

ALUMNAE



Prairie Mathews and **Shannon Muntz Mueggenborg**, both AO/Oklahoma; and **Alisha Kensing**, ΓΦ/Texas Tech, graduated from Southwest Flight Attendant training last summer at Love Field in Dallas, Texas. These Thetas flying on Southwest Airlines are based in Oakland, Calif.



The **Gamma Mu Chapter** at **Maryland** welcomed more than 30 alumnae in September for the unveiling of phase one of the facility corporation board's strategic plan to update the chapter house. The family room has been remodeled and future projects will focus on both maintaining the structural integrity of the house and continuing to update the facility's interior.



Casey Mochel, **Amelie Chopin**, and **Emily Booth**, all ΑΦ/Tulane, stand in front of Rosenblatt

Stadium in Omaha, Nebraska. These Thetas traveled from New Orleans to Omaha to support Tulane's Green Wave baseball team in the 2005 College World Series last June.



Theta Alumnae posed during the 2005 BOTAR (Belles of the American Royal) Ball. The event held in October celebrated its 56th year of supporting the American Royal through service and funding. Thetas in attendance include (left) **Corker Dallam**,

AM/Missouri; **Kim Manka Mann** and **Betsy Winetroub**, both K/Kansas; and **Amy Blair**, AM/Missouri.

In October, Thetas and their spouses participated in Knoxville's Race for the Cure. This was the first year that the **Knoxville Alumnae Chapter** participated as a team. Pictured at the finish are **Mindy George Aldridge**, Γ/Butler; **Jamie Blythe**, ZO/Wake Forest; **Sarah Moore Campbell**, Γ/Butler; **Kirsten Kral Campbell**, ΔY/Eastern Kentucky; **Clint Aldridge**; **Tracey Thornblade Belmont**, ZI/Washington & Lee; **Kelly Morris Forester**, ΔΩ/Texas A&M, and **Martta Howard**, EN/Virginia Tech.



Last May, the **Sacramento Alumnae Chapter** held its annual party for the graduating seniors of **Zeta Nu Chapter** at UC Davis. Alumnae and collegians celebrated their past experiences as Thetas, and the graduating seniors shared their future plans.

Dee Dee Soucek, **Marineau**, **Debbie Bickel**, **Delbusto**, **Sandy Tucker**, **Kerr**, **Liz Appel Rinck**, and **Jamie Markland Miller**, all members of **Gamma Chapter**, celebrated Homecoming 2005 and Butler University's 150th anniversary this fall.

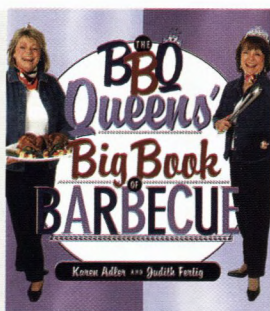


Four Thetas from different chapters—**Ann Burnet Schnare**, AI/Washington-St Louis; Fraternity President **Karen Albrecht Ledbetter**, ΓT/Tulsa; **Joyce Bond Patton**, K/Kansas; and **Dianne Eddins Dorney**, K/Kansas—attended the Kirkwood High School reunion in St. Louis, Mo.



Mimi Staelin Ferrell, H/Michigan; **Gayle Snavelly Medill**, T/Northwestern; **Marcia Wolff Thompson**, ΓY/Miami; **Susan Goodwillie Banks**, Π/Albion; **Gail Phillipps Gunning**, ΓT/Rollins, all high school graduates from Ottowa Hills High School in Toldeo, Ohio, reunited at their 45th high school class reunion. Of the 42 young women in their graduating class, six pledged Theta at different universities.

Karen Conde Adler, AM/Missouri, co-authored *The BBQ Queens' Big Book of Barbecue* with her colleague, Judith Fertig. It is the first BBQ Queens cookbook in a series



of four offering more than 300 recipes on grilling, smoking, planking, rotisserie cooking, and more. Adler and Fertig are on a 20-city tour and offer recipes, tips, and their tour schedule at www.BBQQueens.com. This is the tenth cookbook written by Adler and her eighth BBQ cookbook.

Diane Wigstone, AY/Washburn, published *Hope for Hollywood: Reclaiming the Soul of Film and TV*.



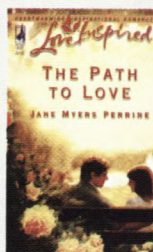
Wigstone, who has worked in film and television for several years as a producer, director, and writer, wrote the book to encourage Hollywood to become a place of positive messages and stories. Wigstone has also worked as a licensed minister in many Hollywood ministries and was the director of creative arts and worship at the First Presbyterian Church of Hollywood when she began writing this book.

Twenty-Something, Twenty-Everything: A Quarter-Life Woman's Guide to Balance and Direction, published by **Christine Hassler,**

AUTHORS

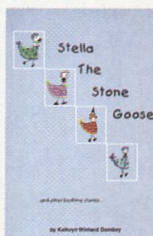
TT/Northwestern, is publicized as the first self-improvement book written for twenty-something women by a twenty-something woman. This book documents Hassler's personal story and struggles, while offering guidance to readers who are asking deep questions about their role and direction in life.

Jane Myers Perrine, ΔH/Kansas State, announces the publication of her third book, *The Path to Love*. Perrine received her master's in divinity in 1987 and has since authored two other inspirational fiction novels and has served churches in Indiana, Georgia, and Texas.



"Stella the Stone Goose... and other bedtime stories," written by **Kathryn Wieland Dombey,**

A/DePauw, is a compilation of bedtime stories documenting the many adventures of Stella, a lawn ornament goose. The book was inspired by and written for her grandchildren, whom she has included as characters in the book.



A personal story by **Jude Hodge Dennis,** M/Allegheny, has been included in the new book *Chicken Soup for the Military Wife's Soul*. "Anticipation" tells of her experience as the wife of Denny Andrews, a Marine killed

in action while serving in Vietnam in 1968. Jude has since remarried to Mike Dennis, president and CEO of Oregon Aero, whose personal mission and company mission is to help Marines and other military personnel by developing safe and more comfortable products for soldiers.

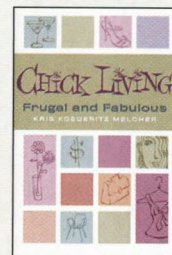
Mary Kaye Milmoe Chryssicas,

AH/Vanderbilt, has published a book, *I Love Yoga!*, about the benefits of teaching yoga to young children. Chryssicas began teaching yoga to her own children; her program has since grown and been successfully implemented in both private and public schools and local yoga studios.

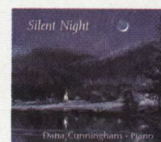


Chick Living: Frugal and Fabulous, by **Kris Koedertiz Melcher,**

AM/Missouri, is a book about living frugally and fabulously on a low budget. The book is a practical guide for recent college graduates who are living on their own that "... will show you how to be smart, sophisticated, and savvy."



Dana Cunningham, AH/Vanderbilt, recently released on CD *Silent Night*, a collection of carols arranged for piano and cello. Cunningham has also released *Dancing in the Gate* and began recording her third album this fall.



Cornelia Clark, AH/Vanderbilt was named to the Tennessee Supreme Court by Governor Phil Bredesen on September 19 to fill the vacancy created by the retirement of the chief justice. Justice Clark received her master's from

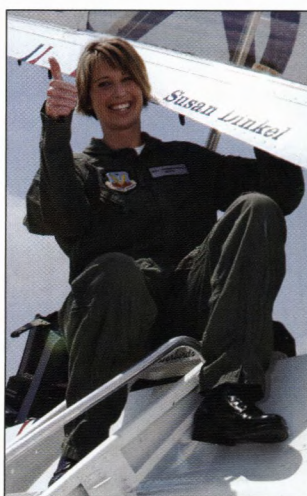


Harvard University and her law degree from Vanderbilt University, and is the fourth woman named to the Tennessee Supreme Court. A few of her credentials include serving as the director of the Tennessee Administrative Office of the Courts; former circuit judge; former partner with a Nashville firm; and adjunct professor at Vanderbilt University School of Law.

The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education named **Cheryl Plaxico Hunter,** BZ/Oklahoma State, of Oklahoma City as board chairman. An Oklahoma City attorney,

Hunter will oversee the state's coordinating board for Oklahoma's public colleges and universities during the coming year.

Last July, **Susan Dinkel Jensen,** A/DePauw, had the opportunity to fly the skies of Indiana with the United States Air Force Thunderbirds. She was one of two journalists chosen to fly in an F-16 Fighting Falcon airplane with the Thunderbirds.



Tracy Sparkman, IT/Tulsa, was recently promoted to the position of director with Beijo Bags, a national company with unique and trendy handbags, totes, backpacks, and accessories. You may view the entire line of handbags at the company's website, www.bejobags.com.

At the Biennial Session of the National Panhellenic Conference (NPC) in October, **Cindy Heine Stelhorn,** B/Indiana, was honored by outgoing NPC Chairman Martha Brown for her many contributions to NPC and its 26 member groups.



Veronika Rozmahelova, EZ/Mississippi, is the first international student to pledge a sorority at the University of Mississippi. Rozmahelova joined Kappa Alpha Theta after participating in formal recruitment last fall.

Reunions



1 Eleven members of the **Pi Chapter** at **Albion** met in Las Vegas to celebrate their fiftieth birthdays. (Front) Cosette Tracy Campbell, Sue Sadler, Sue Peterson Walsh; (middle) Nancy Coon Vaughn, Camie Maxim Cromie, Patsy Grover Petri, Sue Ann Davis Hall, Susan Zimmerman Whitaker; (back) Jane McVicker Adamczyk, Becky Kelser Burton, and Kris Kline Hower.



2 Alumnae from the **Alpha Gamma Chapter** at **Ohio State** showed their Buckeye spirit while attending a summer reunion in Huron, Ohio. Pictured are: (front) Nancy Pickett Buckingham, (back) Sue Robinson Switzer, Nancy Holtzmuller Schafer, Tobi Linehan Kreager, Marilynne Palipchak Chapman, Holly Wagers Curtis, Shelly Frye Welsch, Blair Charles Adams, Lisa Todd McMullen, and Cynthia Parilak Batman.



3 Members of the 1967 graduating class from **Gamma Pi** at **Iowa State** met in Chicago for a reunion in July. Attendees included (front) Marilyn Schnittjer Hayes, Linda Campbell, Julie Vangness Evert, Martha Watters Glanville (back) Virginia Ferris Metz, Mary Ann Anderson Garwood, Barbara Brown Oliver, Jane VanGronigen Iwan, Celia Wilson Stretmater, and Etta McGrane Olmsted.



4 Twenty-four members of the 1985 **Beta Delta** new member class from the **University of Arizona** gathered in August in Phoenix, Ariz., for a 20-year reunion.



5 In July 2005, ten members of **Beta Lambda Chapter** of the **College of William & Mary** who graduated in 1962 had a reunion in Williamsburg, Va., to celebrate their 65th birthday year, long-term friendships, and attachment to Theta. (Front) Margie Heiney Stouffer, Jane Wright Fields, Ann Smith Hughes; (back) Janice Tilghman Baerst, Sue Oakley Nelson, Martha Walton High, Peggy Hargroves Bartlett, Diana Becker Harrington, Kay Christian.



6 Members of the 1953 graduating class from **Rho Chapter** at **Nebraska** reunited in Santa Fe, NM, in June to celebrate their 52nd anniversary. (Front) Virginia Noble Steen, Helene Greene Follmer, Barbara Lucas Lewis, Mary Jean Neely Williams, Jackie Murphy Kremers; (back) Lois Gearhart Wohlner, Sally Lowe Heinlein, Mary Worrall Leahy, Lee Ellen Creasman Matzke, Caroline Rogers Mills, Shirley Moore Ebert, Carroll Swift, and Sandra Walt Condon.

7 Six members of the **Beta Iota Chapter** from **Colorado**—Sandy Spacks Olson,



Francine Hafer McCrea, Sue Carswell Peiker, Nancy Sullivan Mortensen, Barbara Adams Woodhull, and Bea Moroney Hadinger—met in June for reunion in Vail, Colo.

8 **Gamma Eta Chapter** at **Massachusetts** members gathered in Essex, Mass., for a day of reminiscing and renewing ties from over 40 years ago. Alumnae at the reunion included Joanne Pariseau O'Leary, Joyce Blum DeWallace, Rosemary Seward Loveday, Del Comeau Bradley, Bonnie Hunter Wilkes, Lynda Bonney Cudihy and Sue Bourne Blood.

9 Members of the **Alpha Chapter** and the **DePauw** 1963 graduating class reunited in LaQuinta, Calif., in June. Carol Goins Thomas, Becky Watts Lortz, Jody Willis, Mimi Mayner Greenwood, Maxine Blue Noll, and Carolyn Watson Kruger attended.

10 Ten members of the 1969 pledge class at **Delta Kappa** chapter at **LSU** spent the weekend together in St. Francisville, La., at the Cottage Plantation. (Front) Mary Staggs Vinson, Jane Trask Cline, Toddy Wiegand Wobbema, Susan Supple Afeman; (back) Jo Ellen Kearny, Winnie Tinney Annison, Janet Rohlf Holden, Mattilyn LaNasa Fraser, Kathy Riedel Davis, and Nancy Manning Wade.



FOUNDERS DAY & FRIENDSHIP FUND MESSAGE

It is during devastating times that Theta sisterhood shines ... and is needed most. It is during devastating times that Thetas do what we do best—supporting one another and providing for others.

Last autumn was such a time. Thetas everywhere were shocked and saddened by the destruction visited on the Gulf Coast by Hurricane Katrina, and later, Hurricane Rita. We worried about the more than one million people displaced by the storms; we anxiously waited to hear from our collegians at the Delta Kappa Chapter at Louisiana State, the Alpha Phi Chapter at Tulane, and the Zeta Psi Chapter at Southern Mississippi, as well as from our alumnae living in Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, and the Florida panhandle.

Our first priority was to ensure that all Thetas were safe and accounted for. Our district and chapter officers worked tirelessly to locate their sisters, and our alumnae and college chapters across the United States opened their hearts and homes. The Fraternity website became a clearing house for information and help. Although we could not reach out physically to hug each and every sister affected, that is what we longed to do.

The most inspiring outreach, however, came in the form of gifts to the Friendship Fund. In an outpouring of sisterhood, alumnae chapters, college chapters, and individual Thetas contributed more than \$41,000 to the Friendship Fund, which for the past 80 years has provided gifts to Thetas experiencing severe financial distress, catastrophic illness, natural disaster, and urgent family crisis. Thanks to those contributions, the Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation was able to make gifts to more than 40 Thetas who lost their homes, their livelihoods, their hometowns.

Each year, the Friendship Fund "... makes real to those who have met sorrow and temporary defeat the practical feel of sister hands clasping theirs in dark places." In 2005, it was especially important that were able to do that. It was especially important that we were able to show that ritual isn't just the words we say but the way we live our lives.

Loyally,

Karen Albrecht Ledbetter
Karen Albrecht Ledbetter
Fraternity President
ΓΤ/Tulsa

Each year, Kappa Alpha Theta commemorates its founding on January 27, 1870. On Founders Day, we remember the difficult times faced by Bettie Locke, Alice Allen, Bettie Tipton, and Hannah Fitch, and we celebrate the history of our Fraternity, which stretches across three centuries.

One tradition of Founders Day, which is celebrated by alumnae and college chapters across the continent, is the collection of contributions for the Friendship Fund. Established at Grand Convention 1926, the Fund provides gifts to Thetas experiencing severe financial distress, catastrophic illness, natural disaster, and urgent family crisis. An important ongoing tradition is the secrecy surrounding the giving of gifts from the fund. Two members write on behalf of a sister, and the Friendship Fund committee determines the award amount. The requesters remain anonymous, and all records are confidential.

Today, the suggested Friendship Fund contribution is \$1 per year of Theta membership. The Fund is under the management of the Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation, so all gifts to it are tax-deductible. Checks, made out to the Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation with "Friendship Fund" noted on the memo line, may be sent to: Foundation Headquarters, 8740 Founders Road, Indianapolis, IN 46268.

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The new www.kappaalphatheta.org will be a reality next summer. Currently, we are working hard to make this site work for every part of our membership and anyone with an interest in Kappa Alpha Theta.

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We Are Theta

fraternity life after college

We are Theta. Regardless of where life takes us, the bond we share with other Thetas—the link between each of us and the Fraternity—is strong. At the time of our pledging, we each promised to be earnest, faithful, and enthusiastic workers for our Fraternity. It is a promise Theta needs us to keep: she needs each and every member who values the memories and life-long opportunities for friendship, growth, and leadership she provides to support one another and our Fraternity's future.

We are Theta. On this page, six alumnae share their reasons for supporting the Fraternity through alumnae per capita dues, volunteering with college chapters, belonging to alumnae chapters, and donating to the Foundation.

Staci Stevens

BE/Oregon State; Seattle, Wash.

As young collegians, many of us never give a thought to the purpose of per capita dues. Indeed, it isn't until we settle into our Kappa Alpha Theta memberships that we fully grasp the concept of being a member of a fraternity and what that means. Then ...

... We notice when we return home for Christmas break that an issue of *The Kappa Alpha Theta Magazine* is waiting for us.

... We start to see alumnae visiting the chapter.

... An old family friend mentions the CASA golf tournament she and fellow sisters participated in.

These realizations slowly start to build, and by the time we are alumnae, we

understand what "Theta For a Lifetime" means. It is at this point that we

understand the importance of per capita dues. It is our per capita dues that keep members in contact with their sisters and with the Fraternity through *The Kappa Alpha Theta Magazine*.

In addition, without per capita dues, alumnae chapters would not grow, new college chapters would not begin, Fraternity officers could not do their jobs, and the Kappa Alpha Theta website would not exist.

Contributing to our Fraternity by paying our per capita dues is what keeps Kappa Alpha Theta alive and functioning.

Jennifer Chapman Root

ΔΨ/UC Riverside; Covina, Calif.

When I, as well as many other women, pledged Theta, we were told that we were "Theta for a Lifetime." I am so thankful that Theta is still a major part of my life.

When I was a collegian, I received so many benefits, many more than could ever have been funded by the money that I paid in dues. When I graduated, it was like I was given a lifelong scholarship to be part of this wonderful organization. However,

the cost of being a "Theta for a Lifetime" shouldn't be borne financially by our



Root

collegians.

The reason to support Theta now is for the same reasons that you joined Theta in the beginning. Theta provides a sisterhood of women to support you. I have met Thetas

from colleges all over the country and have developed tremendous friendships with Thetas I have just met.

Wendy Goshert

Γ/Butler; Indianapolis, Ind.



Goshert

I financially support the Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation because Theta's future is dependent on the strength of each member. With the support of the Foundation's pro-

grams, we strengthen one member at a time, and each time it builds on our future.

By supporting Thetas, we are supporting citizens within many communities, thus creating a domino effect. The Foundation certainly doesn't expect to be the exclusive recipient of our charitable efforts; instead, it asks only that each of us consider Theta as one of the charitable organizations to support as a donor.

Every dollar counts, so we should each give what we can and not worry so much about the size of the gift! If every Theta would make a nominal donation to the Foundation each year, we would be so much further ahead.

Maria Figueiras Ford

EO/Stetson; Gulf Stream, Fla.

The new friendships I have made as an alumna have greatly added to the positive collegiate experiences I enjoyed. The more I give in time and involvement, the more rewarding my experience becomes. The old cliché applies: for it is in giving that you receive in ways you never imagine.

Theta, as a non-profit organization, does so much to reach out to others in

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An event hosted by the Lincoln Alumnae Chapter featured a dessert pitch-in and belly-dancing lessons.

RECONNECT WITH THETA

We are always Thetas, and the bond that we share with other Thetas is strong. After college, we often lose touch with our Fraternity, but joining an alumnae chapter (or even starting a new one!) is a great way to "reconnect."

Your local alumnae chapter comprises women of all ages and from chapters all over the continent. And you may be surprised by the wide variety of interesting activities! Below is a list of active alumnae chapters in the US and Canada; for contact information, please visit the Theta Directory area of the Theta website, www.kappaalphatheta.org.

If there isn't already an alumnae chapter in your area, why not gather a few Theta friends and start one? To find out more about how to organize a chapter, consult the home page of www.kappaalphatheta.org.

ACTIVE ALUMNAE CHAPTERS IN THE US & CANADA

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- 10 To spend four days at a four-diamond convention hotel,
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- 6 To discover why San Antonio is the most-visited city in Texas
- 5 To learn more about your role as a chapter officer
- 4 To have a blast with your Theta sisters at Fun Night
- 3 To help shape the future of the Fraternity
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Welcome Dinner
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Thursday, June 29, 2006

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Business Sessions
Foundation Luncheon
Awards Banquet

Friday, June 30, 2006

Business Session
Memorial Service
College Sessions
Alumnae Sessions
Free Afternoon
Fun Night

Saturday, July 1, 2006

Business Sessions
Election of Grand Council
College Sessions
Alumnae Sessions
Banquet Procession
Final Banquet

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Where and when is Grand Convention?

Grand Convention 2006 will be held at the Marriott Rivercenter in San Antonio, Texas, from Wednesday, June 28, to Sunday, July 2.

Who should attend convention?

College Chapter Delegate

There is ONE college chapter delegate per chapter. Each chapter president must attend as the voting chapter delegate unless permission to send another member in her place is received from Fraternity Vice-President College Kathleen Markey (FraternityVPCol@KappaAlphaTheta.org). If your college chapter is sending an alternate as the delegate, she must be registered by April 15, 2006.

Alumnae Chapter Delegate

Each alumnae chapter is encouraged to send ONE voting delegate to Grand Convention. All alumnae voting delegates must be registered as the alumnae delegate by April 15, 2006, in order to be seated and have a vote at Convention business sessions.

Non-delegates

All college chapter or alumnae members are encouraged and welcome to attend Grand Convention.

Will there be any time to sightsee?

Free time is scheduled for Friday (June 30) afternoon. More information on options for Friday activities will be available beginning February 15, at www.kappaalphatheta.org.

When and how can I register?

What is the registration deadline?

Registration will be available on the Kappa Alpha Theta website beginning February 15. Registration ends April 15 for delegates and May 15 for non-delegates. There will be a \$50 late fee for registrations between April 15 and May 1 for delegates and May 1 and 15 for non-delegates.

When and how do I need to make my flight arrangements?

Instructions for flight arrangements and San Antonio ground transportation will be included with the registration information, which will be available at www.kappaalphatheta.org on February 15.

Other questions?

Please e-mail general Convention questions to Event Director Bonnie Brown (bbrown@kappaalphatheta.org). Contact Convention Registration Coordinator Susan Roseman (sroseman@kappaalphatheta.org) for questions regarding registration.

• Registration materials will be available February 15 •



Welcome to Hobbyville

*Theta lives life on and off the
airwaves of Atlanta's hottest
morning-drive radio show*

by Erin Kretzschmar, AM/Missouri

For Jenn Hobby Newell, life is all about being real. That, and quite a bit of talking.

Newell, Beta Nu/Florida State, a native of St. Petersburg, Fla., currently lives in Atlanta with her husband, Ryan. She gets up every weekday morning, grabs her cup of coffee, and starts into the day. Mind you, it's 5:30 am. Then she starts to talk . . . and she talks a lot.

In fact, talking is mostly what Jenn Hobby (her maiden and professional name) does for a living—she's an on-air personality with *The Bert Show*, Atlanta's hottest morning radio program. Listeners dialing into "All The Hits" Q100 FM each morning throughout northern Georgia hear the latest from Jenn Hobby and her three on-air partners in crime, Bert Weiss, Jeff Dauler, and Melissa Carter.

The Bert Show premise is simple: timely discussions on whatever makes the national or local headlines. If that doesn't work out, timely discussions on whatever can be found in the day planners of those doing the talking.

"The show has been described as a combination of *Oprah*, *Survivor*, and *The Bachelor*," Newell explains. "Pretty much nothing is off limits, and it's a new line of thinking every morning."

She quickly settles into the topic of the day, be it the latest theories on the naming of Britney Spears's new baby boy or the scoop on whether Angelina Jolie and Brad Pitt are indeed "an item." (Her reporting responsibility is entertainment news and pop culture.) Sometimes, the chatter is as goofy as rating outdated colognes; at other times, the talk turns to serious topics such as hurricane relief for the Gulf Coast region.

But always, Newell—a self-described optimist with a Type-A personality—pipes in with characteristic charm and enthusiasm as the "good girl" of the group. "I guess it's kind of my personality to be positive and cheerful," she admits. "We all are almost exaggerated caricatures of ourselves. The cheerleader part of me is always happy and in a good mood. I guess I'm best put as representative of our audience—a lot of women listening in have a similar life to me."

That life, in radio, started during

Newell's college years at Florida State University (FSU). She arrived on campus in time for sorority recruitment, and the whole process immediately made an impression on her.

"Recruitment at FSU is a pretty deep endeavor. There are 16 women's groups on campus, and, for me, it was an exciting way to meet people as a freshman. I didn't think of it as overwhelming, but more as a big opportunity I needed to seize."

That opportunity led Newell to the Theta house lawn on Bid Day '95. She says she found a realness and an authentic sisterly quality with the members of the Beta Nu chapter that stuck with her all week. "For me, Thetas felt the most real," she explains. "I could see they were real girls with real friendships. The friendships I observed within the house during recruitment were genuine. It was down-to-earth for me, and I felt like I could fit in there immediately."

Her feelings turned out to be exactly right: she became fast friends with her pledge sisters, was new member educator her junior year, and became chapter president her senior year. "Nothing prepared me more for business—management, people skills, budgeting—than my experience as Beta Nu president."

The realness of radio

A communications major, Newell started exploring career options as her graduation date drew closer. With life in the real world just around the corner, she looked to radio via an internship during her senior year.

"I interned at a Tallahassee group of five radio stations, even though I was leaning toward doing something in TV," she remembers. "The program director and I met, and he said, 'Have you ever thought about radio?' I continued with a spring internship with the promotions department and fell in love with the business."

Once again, the "real" and unscripted aspect of radio hooked Newell. "I took an internship with a Tallahassee TV station my senior year and didn't really like it. There wasn't the same realness with the audience as with radio."

A defining moment in her blossoming radio career came when she

worked a 24-hour telethon in Tallahassee with a collection of local DJs. "I truly learned about the power of radio with the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital radiothon," she admits. "DJs work these events for 24 or 48 hours, making great community connections while helping kids in need. We had live broadcasts from Wal-Mart and reached tons of people via the airways and in-store. It proved to be an awesome way to unite with the community."

By the time she was finished with college, Newell set her sights on full-time employment in radio. She moved to Atlanta, slowly working her way into the industry. One company allowed her to explore many facets of radio: promotions, on-air time, and marketing. "Ultimately, while making my name in the business, I knew I wanted to be on-air. I landed a job in Athens, Georgia, on Sundays with the afternoon shift. That job let me get a tape together and learn how to run a radio board. It was a well-spent nine months!"

Bring on Bert

Jenn Hobby's big break with *The Bert Show* and Q100 came at a time of uncharacteristic worry and hesitation for her colleagues: she began as an on-air substitute when her now-colleague Melissa Carter underwent a life-saving kidney transplant in October 2002. Her start at a serious time on a show that is known for not-so-serious chatter made the opportunity that much more important. Carter's illness gave the show's hosts the chance to share updates on their colleague's health and to raise awareness on organ donation.

This reinforced to Newell the fact that her personal life would now be a topic of everyday conversation ... for all of Atlanta to hear. The show's namesake, Bert Weiss, made it clear that the program would be an open forum for private aspects of the lives of all the show's participants. "Talking about everything on the show has helped me grow up," Newell admits. "All of what we are on the air is really who we are. There are characteristics we focus on: mine is the all-American family—instead of 'Pleasantville' it's 'Hobbyville.' It's a part of my life that

plays a role on the show."

Additionally, her persona as the "girl next door" plays well to the majority of *The Bert Show's* listeners. "Our show pulls a young female audience, and they want to hear about relationships and friendships. We keep that in mind as we combine humor and drive-time laughs with useful information."

Members of *The Bert Show* cast realize that with an anything-goes policy, feelings sometimes get hurt, even when the mantra and dialogue are honest. "Sometimes, the ugly parts of things we discuss are what listeners relate to most, and you end up helping people."

Newell has learned to set some ground rules when talking with friends. "You have to learn the boundaries of what to say. My friends sometimes preface whether what they are about to say is fair game for the radio. On the flip side, sometimes it's easier to ask for forgiveness than for permission. It's defining that line, while keeping everything real."

The Bert Show team also keeps its collective finger on the pulse of news throughout greater Atlanta. They have a good relationship with Georgia Governor Sonny Perdue, and they follow the ups and downs, ins and outs, and wins and losses of Atlanta's various sports teams.

"The show is very local, which is important to us," Newell explains. "We listen to local music, we watch local sports, and we always like hearing from Governor Sonny Perdue. He will call up for a Q&A session with our audience, which listeners always like. He feels like a regular on the show!"

Otherwise, it's "game on" for jokes and jests, especially at one another's expense. Newell once lost a bet that led to a public appearance in her best "beach attire." The on-air discussion had turned into a debate on a cliché. How many of the women who—on the occasion of meeting a new guy—say to a girlfriend, "I just met the man I'm going to marry!" actually end up marrying the guy?

In typical Bert Show fashion, the staff quickly recruited a listener who recently had spoken the line in question to a fellow female. They then

“tracked” the listener’s dating. If the guy popped the question, Newell would win, and Weiss would serve as DJ at the couple’s wedding reception; if the couple broke up, Weiss would win, and Newell would have to pop out of a cake, wearing a bikini.

Breaking up might be hard to do, but so is swallowing your pride and bursting out of a cake—clad in a bikini—in a country bar and nightclub.

The Bert Show also features plenty of celebrity interviews, including various “American Idol” participants, Nick Lachey and Jessica Simpson, and Jennifer Lopez. Newell recalls a favorite one with actor John Travolta. “He looks you straight in the eye and makes you feel like you are the only person in the room,” she says.

Big hearts on a big adventure

Not discounting celebrities from TV, movies, and music, some of the favorite guests on *The Bert Show* include participants from Bert’s Big Adventure, one of Newell’s favorite aspects of her job. Bert’s Big Adventure is a non-profit organization founded by show host Bert and his wife. Their mission: taking Atlanta-area children stricken with chronic illnesses or physical challenges, along with their families, to Walt Disney World.

Through corporate donations and service contributions, Bert’s Big Adventure sets off for Orlando with approximately 60 people each February or March for the trip of a lifetime. Newell sits on the board of directors for the organization and serves as official “Big Adventure Coordinator.” “We’ve had three trips since the Adventures started,” she explains, “and I’ve been involved with organizing all of them. My marketing background has been helpful, and it’s a way to give back to the community while meeting some fantastic people.”

The entire cast of *The Bert Show*



***In the Atlanta area, you can
hear Jenn Hobby and
her colleagues on
The Bert Show:***

***Monday-Friday,
5:30-10 am ET***

***Outside the Atlanta area, you can
visit them on the Internet at:***

www.allthehitsq100.com/bertshow

makes the trip with several kids and parents from the Atlanta metro. Jenn describes the trip as a “VIP weekend” for all involved. “It’s almost like camp, but better. We stay at the top hotels and eat at the top restaurants, and it gives participating families the opportunity to get away from it all for just a little while.”

One of the best parts for the show staff is to see kids and parents alike get their first taste of Walt Disney World. “There’s nothing quite like the magic of going to Disney for the first time,” Newell says. “For us, it’s about these families being able to make memories with their kids. These are memories that will last forever for parents who may not have their children around much longer.”

The Bert Show broadcasts live from Florida during the annual Adventure, and that gives the on-air personalities the chance to share the experience with their listeners at home. “After each of our Adventure trips, I’m reminded of how thankful we should be for good health. I see these families who celebrate life through adversity, and it definitely puts things in perspec-

tive for me. That, and how precious a little girl’s face looks the first time she sees Cinderella’s castle.... It gives me goose bumps!”

The show’s cast and crew also participate in annual events throughout Atlanta and northern Georgia. Recently, *The Bert Show* sponsored a back-to-school backpack drive to assist students throughout the state displaced by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. With the help of generous listeners, they gathered more than 12,000 backpacks full of school supplies. They also received donations of retail gift cards to share with school kids for new clothes and shoes, totaling \$119,000.

Focusing on what’s real ...

Along with on-air time comes recognition, of both voice and face. Although people hear her voice each morning and see her picture on the station’s website, Newell is still surprised when she’s recognized in public.

The craziest instance happened at an Atlanta nail salon. After her manicure, Newell was chatting on the phone with a friend; suddenly, another salon patron piped in with, “Hey, I recognize your voice—you’re Jenn from *The Bert Show*!”

And if she wasn’t in radio, what would Jenn from *The Bert Show* be doing in real life? “I think I’d be doing something in politics or the non-profit sector.”

Occasionally, she gets a taste of politics on *The Bert Show*, although it’s not a platform each day.

“We got very vocal around the presidential election. We have a couple of conservatives and a couple of liberals. It usually rounds out to a debate of the day, talking about the headlines and letting listeners chime in.”

And during time off the air, Newell keeps in touch with her Theta sisters from FSU. A group of them return to Tallahassee each year for homecoming, and they see each other during weddings and visits throughout the US each year. “I have an extended family that includes my Bert Show family and my Theta sisters,” she says. “They are my lifelong friends.”

That’s Jenn Hobby—keepin’ it real. ♦

Q How did you start designing jewelry?

A On a whim. A friend and I took a class, and I was hooked. I enjoy the challenge of combining different elements of proportion, style, color, and shape into a distinctive piece of jewelry. And it's a treat to always have the perfect earrings or necklace for your favorite outfit!

Q What is the professional accomplishment of which you're proudest?

A Being an entrepreneur. My jewelry business is a year old this October. And I've also run a graphic-design business for the past seven years.

Q You call your jewelry designs Objets d'Envy. What is your definition of envy?

A A feeling of admiration and desire for someone, something, or some trait. That feeling often compels you to act ... to change your life in some way.

Q Objets d'envy is a French phrase. What is your favorite French word?

A "J'adore...." "Je suis enchantée...." And I love "Bon soir"—the lilt is fun to say!

Q What words or phrases do you probably overuse?

A *Darling*, as in "That skirt is darling!" I got it from my best friend and fellow Theta, Kelly Fitzgibbon O'Malley. We've been using that as an adjective for ages.

Q What attracted you to the University of Tulsa and then to Chicago?

A I was admitted into the honors program at TU, and along with that came a nice scholarship. I liked the close-knit feeling of the campus, but I was always a big-city girl at heart (I also lived in London and Boston.), so adjusting to Chicago was fairly easy.

Q Tell us something about Chicago that most people probably don't know.

A There's always one day in late spring when the city finally comes out

of hibernation. The weather takes a turn for the better. You don't expect it, but one day you're running errands after work and you realize something's different. It takes a minute before you notice that there are people everywhere—walking, biking, dining at a sidewalk restaurant, visiting with neighbors. It's like the whole city breaks free at the same time. It's a magical day ... an escape from winter.

Q Tell us about your family.

A My immediate family is in St. Louis. My extended family is in Wisconsin. Many of my relatives are creative and entrepreneurial.

Q You were in college during the 1980s. What '80s fashion trend do you hope never comes back into favor?

A Stirrup pants.

Q What is it that you most dislike?

A Lousy/mean customer service.

Q Which fictional character do you most identify with?

A Nancy Drew ... smart, inquisitive, ladylike. Also, Eliot and Michael from the TV series *thirtysomething*. I think I went in to advertising/design because I wanted to be them.

Q What is your favorite Theta memory?

A Competing against and beating the law school intramural football team ... no small feat! Thetas rule!

In Her Own Words

Q&A With a Theta of Note

Kirsten Goede, Gamma Tau/Tulsa, is a Chicago-based graphic designer. In October 2004, she launched an online jewelry business. Her Swarovski-crystal bracelets have been featured in the WALL STREET JOURNAL, the DETROIT FREE PRESS, and the CHICAGO SUN-TIMES. Interested Thetas can view her designs at www.objetsdenvy.com.



Even months after Hurricane Katrina washed over the Gulf Coast and flooded New Orleans, words do not do justice to the devastation. The nation's heart continues to ache for the thousands of families who lost their possessions, their homes, and their livelihood. Hundreds of thousands have been displaced across the nation and are now trying to rebuild their lives. And Americans everywhere have asked how they can help.

- 3,407 Kappa Alpha Theta alumnae live in Louisiana, Alabama, and Mississippi, while 426 undergraduate members have homes in the states of Louisiana, Alabama, and Mississippi.

- Tulane University closed for the fall semester, and 91 undergraduate members of the Alpha Phi Chapter transferred schools.

- Other schools impacted include Louisiana State (157 members of the Delta Kappa Chapter), Mississippi, (104 members of the Epsilon Zeta Chapter) Southern Mississippi (28 members of the Zeta Psi Chapter, and Alabama (106 members of the Delta Omicron Chapter).

We were not able to capture all of the stories of Thetas affected by Katrina or of all those who helped in the aftermath of the disaster. We were able to talk with one alumna who is currently housing four high school students from New Orleans in addition to her three teenagers, three members of the Alpha Phi Chapter who transferred to the University of Colorado, and two fraternity officers who traveled to the Alpha Phi facility at Tulane and Delta Kappa facility at Louisiana State to assess the damages and changes.

Mary Smith Camprise, ΔΩ/Texas A&M

In August, Mary Camprise was shopping with her three teenage daughters for supplies, clothing, and other back-to-school necessities. Little did she know that after Hurricane Katrina flooded New Orleans, she would be taking in an additional five high school students. A household of four women and one man would quickly increase to a household of ten (nine females and one male).

Camprise works part-time in the admissions department at Ursuline, a private school in the Dallas area. In the wake of Katrina, students of Ursuline's sister school in New Orleans were welcome to attend Ursuline in Dallas, yet they also needed places to stay. The Camprise family opened their home to five teenage girls, and what was originally intended to be a temporary fix became permanent for the semester.

It's difficult for most teenagers to imagine going to a different high school, let alone moving to a new town and living with an unfamiliar family. "Probably the hardest part is that they have lost some of their freedom since they are not in their own town, with their own friends or their own car," says Camprise. "These girls have learned to be self-sufficient. We have a light-rail station at the end of our street, and they have also learned to do their own laundry. The logistics were difficult at first, trying to get everybody everywhere with different appointments and after-school activities."

This arrangements has also been an adjustment and learning experience for the three Camprise daughters, who are in seventh, ninth, and eleventh grades.

"They have learned to get along with kids from all different places—these weren't kids that they would have picked or been friends with. To mix eight different personalities in one house has been good for all of them.

"These kids are here because their parents are sacrificing for their children's education," Camprise points out. "They would probably rather have their children home with them, but they are sacrificing so their education isn't interrupted for a year."

Zita Enloe, ΓΦ/Texas Tech

"It was late August, and the district officers (Enloe serves Theta as a college district president.) and I were beginning to gear up for the beginning of the fall semester in District VI (which includes Louisiana and Mississippi). Katrina was predicted to be a Category 5 hurricane, and the announcement was made that New Orleans was being evacuated. Shortly thereafter, we had all the news we needed. New Orleans had suffered a crippling blow, and the city was considered uninhabitable. Tulane was closed for the semester. Now our concern was: where are all the members of the Alpha Phi Chapter?"

"Next came the news that the coast of Mississippi had suffered a worse blow than New Orleans. We added the Zeta Psi Chapter at Southern Mississippi in Hattiesburg to our list of concerns.

"The first few days immediately following Katrina were extremely challenging because communications were so impaired and chapter members and advisors had scattered. Finally, after several days and hun-

Thetas Recount Their Experiences in the Wake of Hurricane Katrina

by Leslie Fasone, B/Indiana

A Force To Be Reckoned With

dreds of e-mails and phone calls, we knew the whereabouts of nearly every member of Alpha Phi and Zeta Psi and their condition. Thank goodness all had escaped physical harm.

"It was two weeks before the University of Southern Mississippi could open, but at least Zeta Psi members could return. The story at Tulane was much different. With Tulane's closing for the semester, the Tulane Thetas were scattered from north to south to east and west.

The suburbs outside of New Orleans even look like a war zone. Belongings are stacked high in front lawns waiting to be taken to the dump. Billboards are bent backwards and trees have been torn up by the roots.

It just seems that New Orleans will never be repaired when looking at the scope of the damage.

- Jen Borner, ΔK/LSU

"Keep in mind that everyone in New Orleans evacuated with plans to return after Katrina passed. No one was prepared for the reality of not being able to return. Most of their possessions (clothes, computers, cars, furniture, bedding, etc.) were left behind. The Alpha Phi members who transferred to new campuses had very little. The campuses that had Theta chapters rallied to open their doors, their pocketbooks, and their hearts to help these displaced Theta members. The outpouring of help from college chapters and alumnae chapters alike was nothing less than incredible.

"However, during all of this, there was another problem. With the evacuation of New Orleans, Baton Rouge swelled to two or three times its normal population overnight. The city and the LSU campus were overflowing. The Delta Kappa Chapter took in as many Thetas and their families as they could cram into the facility, and then they began searching for their own

members unaccounted for. Thanks to the wisdom and level-headedness of their leadership and the facility director, Delta Kappa had the foresight to stockpile food and water before grocery store shelves were emptied.

"In the days and weeks following Katrina, the groundswell of support, assistance, donations and contributions from Thetas everywhere was phenomenal. But what I've told you here is only part of the story.

"Most of us were so concerned about the Alpha Phi Chapter that we didn't totally analyze the impact on the Delta Kappa Chapter at LSU and the Zeta Psi Chapter at USM. At least one-third to one-half of their current membership, respectively, is from the hurricane-torn area. Their parents have lost their jobs, lost their homes, and—in some cases—both.

"You and I know that in real life when dollars are stretched, the first things to go are 'luxury items.' Theta is a luxury item. We were all lucky enough to have the luxurious experience of Kappa Alpha Theta during our college years. Yet these hurricane-torn members of Delta Kappa, Zeta Psi, and even Alpha Phi are faced with having to eliminate this luxury. They and their families don't have the money now to spend on such things as tuition, dues, room and board, facility fees, and meal plans.

"Yes, the Fraternity has made financial allowances to these hurricane-affected chapters. Yes, the Friendship Fund from the Theta Foundation is trying to meet their needs. Yes, the outpouring of support and contributions has been phenomenal. But the inside scoop to this story is that we haven't done enough. These members—these chapters—need our help, and they need our help now. Our involvement and our action will mean the difference between whether these young women can continue their college experience and enjoy the luxury of Kappa Alpha Theta."

Megan Bevill, ΑΦ/Tulane

"It was bizarre to go from being the president of my chapter at Tulane and knowing many people on campus to being a student on a campus where I didn't know a soul and there is no Theta chapter. I sincerely miss every-

I have had the great opportunity to be a guest of the Beta Rho Chapter at Duke this semester. It is so much fun to see how another Theta chapter operates, and the women have been so nice and welcoming to the three of us from Alpha Phi. This experience has made me appreciate Theta even more, a feat I had thought impossible.

- Amelie Chopin, ΑΦ/Tulane

thing that the Alpha Phi Chapter had offered me at Tulane: a sense of self, of belonging, of sisterhood, and the social and service opportunities and events that I love so much. I didn't know how truly special Theta was until I had to live without it. I have been envious of my sisters on other campuses that have been involved with different chapters: their stories seem exciting and interesting, and my life (for this semester) pales in comparison.

"I am glad to report, though, that our chapter has emerged from this disaster unharmed in the physical sense, although some of our members lost a lot of their belongings and some of their housing. We all feel truly lucky for this, and I am sure that we will return to Tulane in January a stronger chapter because of this unexpected turn of events. Thetas from all over the country have been reaching out to us in countless ways, and it is such a clear reminder of this amazing organization to which we all belong."

Meredith Beers, ΑΦ/Tulane

"I miss New Orleans terribly. While I did not lose everything like many of the other people in the city, I feel like a part of me died when the levees broke and the waters overtook part of New Orleans. I am now spending my semester volunteering for Tulane instead of taking classes anywhere. I am doing everything from answering phones to helping re-plan orientation to attending all of the town hall meetings in Texas. I look forward to

January 12 when I will be able to move back to New Orleans and when Tulane will re-open. I severely miss my friends, my classes and—most of all—my Theta sisters.

“Theta chapters all over the United States have been amazing at showing their Alpha Phi sisters their generosity and compassion. I have heard stories from Alpha Phis who have been shown such sisterly love that I am wondering how we will ever be able to repay them. In times like this, times of devastation and grief, I have discovered how important it is to have family around. For the girls who are attending schools in cities where their families do not live, it means so much that they have found a Theta family there.”

Alyssa Jung, ΔK/LSU

Alyssa Jung lived in Bay St. Louis, Miss. Her father and grandmother owned a flooring business there. Both her father and grandmother lived right off the Jordan River in elevated houses. One day before the storm, it became apparent that they would get the worst of it. Unfortunately, leaving Mississippi was almost impossible, so they went a little farther away from the shore to stay with friends of the family. They didn't pack that much because it was hard to believe that they might lose everything they owned.

When they were finally allowed to

Little did I know that when I left New Orleans that night, I would not be returning for another three months. But the Delta Kappa Chapter of LSU has shown their true capacity for sisterhood and offered their home to four displaced Thetas of Alpha Phi. It is an understatement that these kind gestures have been a comfort to us.

- Anako Asai, ΑΦ/Tulane

return to their home, there was nothing there. Part of their roof was floating in the canal, and Alyssa could see her high school memories floating away. Her grandmother's house suffered the same fate. Priceless photos and family treasures were either at the bottom of the gulf or buried under mud.

Their sole mean of income, the flooring business, also was flooded. All of the stock and samples were gone. They are currently trying to clean up the store so they will be able to get business when people begin repairing their homes.

Alyssa said that before the storm it just didn't seem real to her, so she didn't pack a lot because she just

couldn't imagine losing her belongings and her memories. In fact, her house had just been remodeled. Now, Alyssa tries to get home on the weekends to help repair the store.

Ashley Daughdrill, ΔK/LSU

“Eighteen months ago, my seven-member family purchased a new home in Ocean Springs, Miss. The three-story, six-bedroom dream home had plenty of room for everyone. Everyday spent there was nothing short of perfect. The home on East Belle Fontain Drive offered an ocean view and the beach as your front yard.

“The view is very different now. The only evidence left to indicate that there was ever a home there is a concrete slab with a few tiles still attached. My family's possessions are strewn down the beach, in the trees and in the street. Photographs lie scattered and depict better days and happier memories. Appliances lay half buried in the sand. Clothing and bedding dangle in tree tops. I found some articles of clothing from my closet in a group of trees half a mile behind where our home once stood.

“Our home was built with solid concrete columns. These were designed to support the home in the instance of a hurricane. These solid columns lay scattered on the ground. The visual interpretation is intense. I would compare it to pictures of a bomb site, following the explosion. The adjustment has been difficult for my entire family. We have not yet decided if we will re-build. Not a single home on our street withstood Hurricane Katrina. Every house on East Belle Fontain Drive is destroyed. The good thing is that my immediate family is safe. We will always have the memories of our home, and no force of nature can ever take those away.”

Gifts from Kappa Alpha Theta's Friendship Fund are already assisting Thetas from the Gulf Coast. For more information about the Friendship Fund, please turn to page 6 or 12. ♦



A concrete slab is all that remains of Ashley Daughdrill's family's six bedroom home, which had an ocean view and the beach for a front yard.

HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

A THETA'S SCRAPBOOK PROVIDES A GLIMPSE OF LIFE BEFORE AND AFTER THE SAN FRANCISCO EARTHQUAKE

by Mary Edith Arnold, AM/Missouri Fraternity Archivist



*Are you safe?
... Anxious*

A century ago, on April 18, 1906, an earthquake rocked the West Coast from southern Oregon to Los Angeles. The quake and resulting fires virtually destroyed San Francisco. Just

minutes after the quake, a telegram was sent to a young Pearl Chase—who attended the University of California Berkeley across the San Francisco Bay—asking an anxious father's question: "Are you safe?"

She was. But the telegram, snapshots, and a clipping in Pearl

Chase's college scrapbook illustrate campus life temporarily interrupted—student cadets making their way to San Francisco, young women acting as nurses and waitresses to refugees. Thoughts of study ceased, and college was suspended until fall.

In the 1980s, loyal Theta alumnae in Santa Barbara recognized the value of the scrapbook, which was found in an estate sale, and added the treasure-trove to the Fraternity's archives. The scrapbook speaks volumes: though natural disasters periodically occur, life does go on and joy does return.

The scrapbook is graphically rich with mementos of college life before and after the earthquake—snapshots of young ladies with Gibson Girl hair styles and art nouveau-styled invitations, programs, and dance cards. It recalls happy days filled with teas, recruitment parties, football games, harbor sails, pageants and plays.

There is no narrative. It's not needed. The ephemera, thoughtfully gathered, treasured, and carefully arranged, tells the tale of an active outgoing young Theta fully engaged in the college experience 100 years ago.

A sketch of Pearl Chase (above left); mementos from her college scrapbook (below); San Francisco in the aftermath of the 1906 earthquake (above right).



PEARL CHASE Ω/UC BERKELEY

After graduating from Berkeley with honors in 1909, Pearl Chase returned to her hometown of Santa Barbara. She never married but committed herself to the welfare of others, in her community, the state and the nation. The causes Chase espoused (too numerous to list here) ranged from improving the community's food supply to preserving historic landmarks, from thoughtful city planning to conserving natural resources. The outcomes ranged from sanitary dairies and freeways without billboards to saving the redwoods.

Chase was a recognized community leader when another earthquake struck in 1925, this time destroying Santa Barbara's center. She strongly encouraged the city to improve building codes and rebuild in the graceful Spanish colonial style, to turn disaster into opportunity. Of course there was opposition in some corners, but when the new Santa Barbara emerged, the world took notice. Santa Barbara became a heavenly place to live and a traveler's destination.

A 1940 article in the *San Francisco Chronicle*, reprinted in *The Magazine* that year, stated: "[Miss Chase] has a very simple formula, and what is more, it seems to work. Her gentle weapons are public education and team play, but, as a fellow citizen puts it, 'when needed, righteous indignation poured on thick wins the day.'" In the wake of this past year's natural disasters, experts in city planning and design are hoping developers and municipalities remember the wisdom of Pearl Chase and her call to do it right. Certainly, it was that wisdom that put her beloved Santa Barbara on the world map.



WOMEN OF VISION, WOMEN OF ACTION

NATIONAL PANHELLENIC CONFERENCE BIENNIAL SESSION

By Sue Zorichak, Alpha Sigma Alpha 2nd alternate NPC delegate

More than 200 women of vision and action convened at the Woodlands Waterway Marriott Hotel and Convention Center just north of Houston Oct. 21-22, 2005, for the 59th biennial session of the National Panhellenic Conference. Refining and voting on the Conference public relations plan and strategic plan took center stage during the session. In addition, seven resolutions were presented and passed.

In her state of the Conference address, NPC Chairman Martha Brown, Delta Gamma, employed a series of headlines to illustrate the NPC news-making events each month of the biennium, including "227 Visits to House and Senate Office by NPC and NIC Leaders," "NPC Board of Directors Launches a Strategic Planning Process," and "NPC Co-Sponsors National Hazing Symposium."

Public Relations Committee Chairman Kris Bridges, Phi Mu, presented the NPC messages and positioning platform, made possible through gifts from Chi Omega and Delta Gamma and developed by MDB Communications, Washington, DC. With a positioning pitch of "Helping women grow, give, lead and succeed," the platform's components comprise five value messages:

- NPC helps sororities succeed.
- NPC is power in numbers.
- NPC is the unified voice for sororities.
- NPC sets the bar high for members.
- Today's sororities enrich society.

The public relations platform aligns with NPC's new strategic plan, which was presented by Long Range Planning Committee Chairman Josette George Kaufman, Phi Sigma Sigma, and adopted by the Conference during the general session. Charlotte Pelton, of the Waters Pelton



Organization, West Palm Beach, Fla., highlighted the plan's objectives over the next three to five years:

- To ensure that NPC realizes its vision for the future and fulfills its mission of service to its members;

- To enhance NPC's effectiveness through improved committees, operations/administration, budgeting/finance, internal communications and use of technology;

- To enhance NPC's effectiveness in its partnerships with interfraternal, higher education and other key constituency communities;

- To position NPC as the positive advocate and public representative for its collective members;

- To provide each member with opportunities to achieve its membership goals;

- To ensure the continued strength of NPC, considering possible growth through nontraditional means;

- To ensure programming for its members relevant to its mission.

Kevin O'Neill, Lambda Chi Alpha, an attorney with DC-based law firm Patton Boggs, took the Conference on a whirlwind tour of the Greek agenda in Washington.

He spoke of the components of the Greek government relations program, the Capital Fraternal Caucus/Congressional Fraternal Caucus, the formation of the Fraternity and Sorority Political Action Committee, the Collegiate Housing and Infrastructure Act, the Higher Education Reauthorization, the College Fire Prevention Act, and the Hazing Prohibition Act.

In a fitting conclusion to a successful general session, Kappa Delta President Bonnie Warren presented the Kappa Delta Order of the Diamond to Martha Brown and Ellen Vanden Brink, Alpha Chi Omega. In addition, Mari Ann Callais, Theta Phi Alpha president, was recognized for having received the Distinguished Service Award from the Association of Fraternity Advisors.

Outside the general sessions, delegation members conducted committee business. During two joint Alumnae Panhellenic and College Panhellenic committee meetings, members discussed several timely topics, including recruitment and the release figure method, the Facebook phenomenon, and teaching and reinforcing ethical behavior.

The 59th biennial session closed with the awards banquet Saturday night, during which the 2005-2007 Executive Committee was introduced:

Chairman: Elizabeth Quick, Gamma Phi Beta

Secretary: Julie Burkhard, Alpha Chi Omega

Treasurer: Eve Riley, Delta Delta Delta Alumnae Panhellenics Chairman: Linda Collier, Alpha Omicron Pi

College Panhellenics Chairman: Patricia Disque, Chi Omega

AND THE 2003-2005 AWARD WINNERS ARE

At the NPC Awards Dinner, several awards were of particular interest to Thetas.

The Coachella Valley (Calif.) Alumnae Panhellenic was honored as first runner-up in the outstanding alumnae Panhellenic category. The president of Coachella Valley is Theta Julie Miller, Omicron/USC. The Northern Virginia Alumnae Panhellenic, president Christy Tinnes, Zeta Kappa/South Carolina, received an

honorable mention in the same category. The Sarasota Alumnae Panhellenic received a citation of merit in the programming excellence category. This group's president is Lona Voigt, Beta Nu/Florida State.

The Oklahoma State Panhellenic received the progress award for campuses with more than 10 chapters. Nikki Ebert, Beta Zeta/Oklahoma State, is president of that university's Panhellenic.



Theta collegians, officers, and staff members joined our NPC delegation at the biennial session in October.

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need, whether through the philanthropic efforts of CASA or through the many undergraduate and graduate grants we extend. Women are strengthened and empowered by Theta's generosity and traditional values!

I continue, now more than ever, to feel blessed to be part of such a great group of women.

Alissa Wood
 ΔZ/Emory; New York, NY

I have found that the enjoyment I get from my alumnae chapter and the network it provides me with are well worth the effort, time, and small financial responsibility. As always, you get out of something what you put into it.



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Florence Ashby, BN/Florida State; Rockport, Md.

As an educator, I am particularly interested in the continuing education of our members. Through Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation endowments, we provide scholarships, fellowships, and grants to our members for undergraduate to graduate education, professional advancement, and enrichment opportunities. We are helping each other lead lives of utmost value to the community and the nation.

I support the organizations for which I feel a strong affinity and which I know are well-run and do good works. The Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation is right at the top of my list. If there is anything self-serving about supporting a fine foundation which does what I want it to do in an efficient and cost-effective manner, I can't see it. Every Theta who is able should make an annual contribution to the Theta Foundation and leave a bequest in her will.

After all, this is our Foundation: Thetas helping Thetas.

A RESOLUTE BODY

The National Panhellenic Conference passed seven resolutions during the biennial session.

1. Vision statement: "The National Panhellenic Conference will be the premier advocacy and support organization for its members, member groups, College and Alumnae Panhellenics and a proponent of women's fraternity membership."

2. Mission statement: "The National Panhellenic Conference exists to promote the values of and to serve as an advocate for its member groups in collaboration with those members, campuses and communities."

3. Adoption of the strategic plan, which encompasses the years 2005-2010.

4. Amendment to Unanimous Agreement VII, College Panhellenic Association Judicial Procedures #4 Appeals, A to read: "Judicial Board Decision. A decision by the College Panhellenic Association Judicial Board may be appealed by any involved party to the NPC College Panhellenics Judicial Appeals chairman. An appeal shall be filed with the College Panhellenic president using the College Panhellenic Notice of Appeal form within one week of the decision."

5. Eligibility of potential new members for quota addition placement. Item 3 on Page MR-57 of the Manual of Information, 14th Edition, shall be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following: "This procedure shall never include a woman who has failed to accept or attend any recruitment event for which there was room in her membership recruitment schedule (with a fully structured or partially structured recruitment), or has failed to list on her membership recruitment acceptance agreement all fraternity chapters appearing on her preference schedule."

6. Decision making regarding the setting of quota: "Where quota range is used, quota shall be determined by mutual agreement of the Panhellenic advisor and either the release figures specialist or the NPC area advisor."

7. Inclusion of preference attendees on chapter bid lists: "NPC reaffirms that a fraternity should be willing to issue an invitation to membership to any woman who is invited [to] and attends its preference event; and NPC reaffirms that the name of every woman whom a fraternity invites to attend and who attends that fraternity's preference event should appear on the fraternity's bid list."

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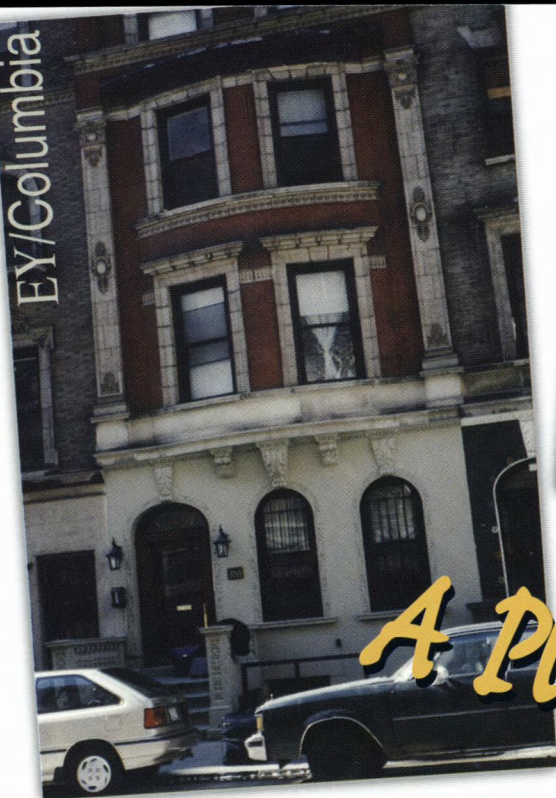
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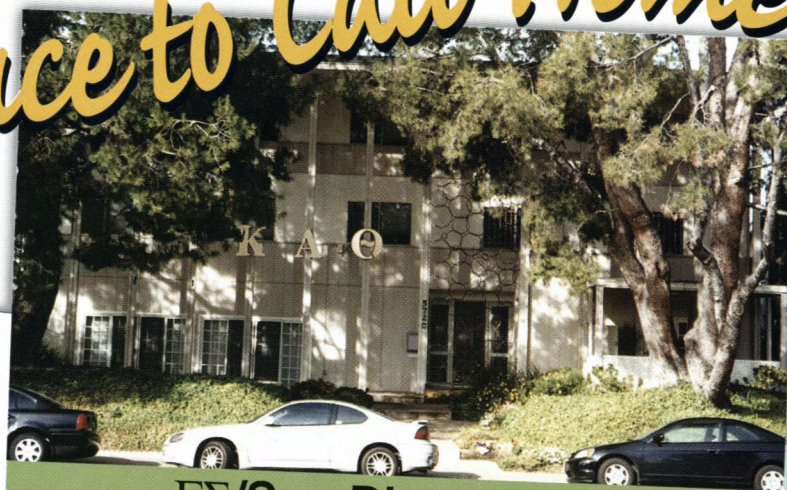
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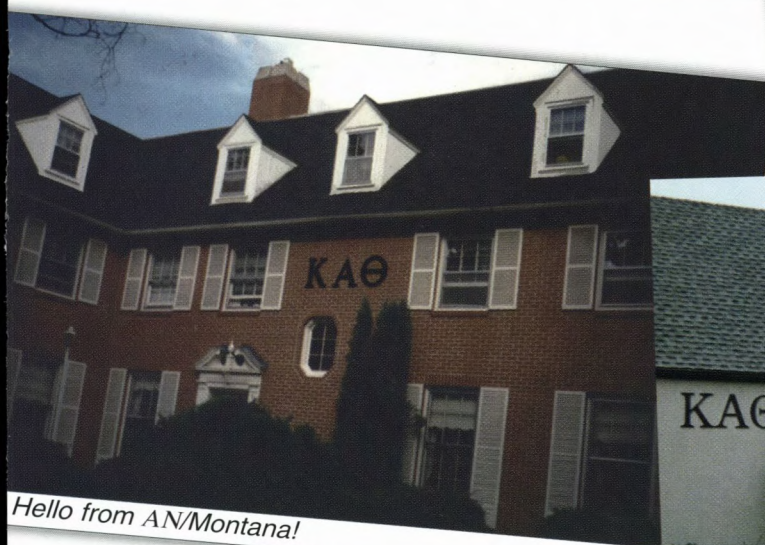
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Kappa Alpha Theta comprises 124 college chapters. Sixty-three chapters are housed in residential facilities or lodges owned by Kappa Alpha Theta facility corporations. The value of these properties is more than \$102 million, and the total square footage is more than one million.

The architectural styles and sizes of Theta facilities are as diverse as the campuses on which they're situated. On this page, we feature "postcards" of some of the buildings that our college chapters call home.

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2005-2006 ELCs
by Ginny Carroll
by Amy Hayner Kates
by Kathleen Markey

Megan Abbott
by Jean and Ethan Abbott

Thetas who attended my wedding
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Debbie Bornmann Allen
by Elizabeth "Liz" Ayscue Katz

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Catharine Stout Bayse
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Beta Lambda Chapter
by Jennifer Schmiel Zschunke

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by Becky Copeland Johnson

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Joan Vinaroof Fletcher
by Joan Howard Burgess

Nancy Milligan Frick
by Beth Squires Stein

Mary Solberg Galloway
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Gamma Omega Chapter
by Barbara Porter Knox

Gamma Senior Class of 1953
by Dr. Patty Payne Martone

Catherine Garrison
by Juanita B. Garrison

Elizabeth Garrison
by Juanita B. Garrison

Sharon Gordon-Girvin
by Traci Nagle

Graduates of the Beta Iota Chapter Class of 1950
by Mary B. Little Tyler

Alfaretta Bieder Hammond
by Nancy Hammond Clemens Porteous

Jana Hill Hancock
by Kristy Bland Dickey

Dorothy Jane Hartzell
by Suzanne Curtis Gray

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by Carey Kernodle Anders

Suzanne "Suzie" Sterling King
by Renee Bergenheier Underwood

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by Jamey Laney Phillips

Nelda McQuien Laney
by Jamey Laney Phillips

Jerry Cavett Lee
by Laurie Davis Fuller

Kim Harvey Looney
by Jill Pedicord Peterson

LSU/Delta Kappas affected by Hurricane Katrina
by Erin Tucker Howle

Letitia Williamson Lybrook
by Tracey Long Carisch

Jamie Lin Adams Matorian
by Pam Quilici

Sharon Coggan McBride
by Patricia Conner Coggan

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by Helen Edwards Woodward

Ginna Moseley
by Linda Crank Moseley

Molly Mullen
by Charles Mullen and Carol Wilson

Jeanne Rounds Olsen
by Margaret "Mig" Lindley LeClerc

Patricia Maloney Ottenad's Birthday
by Kay Orman Goltz

Ilana Pressman
by Katy Oldham

Shana Brooke Rambo
by Marsha Rambo

Kristen Magnes Richards
by Amy Hayner Kates

Kathy Torno Roat
by Elizabeth "Liz" Ayscue Katz

Dr. Tracie June Rogers
by Pam Quilici

Rich Sawyer
by Pasadena Alumnae Chapter

Heidi Locker-Scheer
by Elizabeth "Liz" Ayscue Katz

Margaret "Margie" Wylie Sibbitt's 80th Birthday
by Pat and Jim Carr

Sue Farrell Supple
by Beth Squires Stein

Valerie Tallero
by Patti Tallero

Theta Victims of Hurricane Katrina
by Melanie McLendon Dowell

by Lesley Kim Grossblatt
by Tracey Baxter Gutman

by Danielle Henry
by Amy Johnson

by Kim Linin
by Amy Roberts

by S. S. Elizabeth Woodward
by Jill Yarbrough

Elizabeth Thiele
by Leslie Thiele Andree

Kathleen "Kathy" Bennett Tonkel
by Jill Pedicord Peterson

Lucy Gibson Parker
by Susan Varker Rowling

Jacqueline T. Vollmer
by Cathy and Wayne Teeter

Washington DC/Sub. MD Alumnae Chapter
by Elizabeth Ewing

Mary Mills Weil
by Laurie Macdonald Baker

Jen Weith
by Elizabeth "Liz" Ayscue Katz

Janet Wharton
by Carole Kersh Sheviakov

Antoinette McLeish Woodcock
by Sydne Thisted Abernathy

Amy Yearwood
by Constance Foss Anthony

Zeta Eta Chapter
by Jennifer Blackledge

IN CELEBRATION OF:

50th Wedding Anniversary of Shirley Allen Douglas & Chesley Douglas, Jr.
by Shirley Allen Douglas

Birth of Charlie Azirian
by Sabrina Hovsepian Azirian

Birth of Katherine Pratt Heavner
by Jennifer L. Lucas

Birth of Maxwell Dice Johnson
by Charlys Millstead Dice

Birth of Claire Catherine Nelson
by Kristin Laidig Stanton

Birth of Chloe Michelle Thompson
by Jennifer L. Lucas

Birth of Audrey Kathleen Ware
by Janet Schoeller Knight

Marriage of Nellie McClellan Jensen
by Amy Dye Kanning

Marriage of Rebecca Kubic and Dan Wilhelm
by Jennifer L. Lucas

Marriage of Colette Bridgman Niazmand
by Amy Dye Kanning

Marriage of Kristen Magnes Richards
by Amy Dye Kanning

John Allen on his road to recovery
by Elizabeth "Liz" Ayscue Katz

Alpha Chi Chapter Class of 1980
by Caroline Trout Johnson

Alpha Gamma Chapter Pledge Class of 1956 - 50 years
by Gloria Kahoun Turner

Laura Locke Behrends
by Gayle Locke DeBerry

Bray Bradley Brackin
by Gretchen Alexander

Delta Nu Chapter Pledge Classes of 1972, 1973 and 1974 Reunion June 24, 2005
by Jean Bartlett Hill

District IV Team
by Beverly "Bev" Nanney Bowlus

District IX Team
by Katie Oleskevich Bernsen

Gamma Eta Chapter
by Myrtle Davis Simas

Patricia Ganey
by Kathleen A. Ganey

Brenda Hastings being cast for "Green Acres"
by Paige Perez

Kelley Galbreath Hurst's Birthday
by Katie Bernsen

Jonathan's 4th birthday
by Lisa Burger Foster

Julie Wells Klein
by Megan Coyle Stamos

Rachel Reed Kopczynski
by Becky Reed Barker

Leone Kitch Luetcke's 100th Birthday
by Eleanor "Ellie" A. Robb

Lauren Malench
by Margaret Sloan Solon

Adalyn Grace Sigmon
by Susan Hodges Sigmon

Lily Marie Sigmon
by Susan Hodges Sigmon

Marian Cannon Taylor's Birthday
by Mildred "Millie" Cannon Elmgren

Katie Urice's Initiation into the Alpha Omicron Chapter
by Kris Frensley Carr

Marilyn Morse Wright's Birthday
by Jacque McKenney Fowler

IN MEMORY OF:

Nancy Abbey
by Lea Nugent

Madeline Dabney Adams
by Madeline Reynolds Adams

Clemmie Allen
by Janna Bryant Wright

Jean Ikins Allen
by Lafayette Alumnae Chapter

Mary Ann Boyle Allen
by Pasadena Alumnae Chapter

by Lynne Ely Day
by Janet McNeely Folks

by Elizabeth "Betty" Giles
by Marian Cuzner Leatham

by Mr. and Mrs. William L. Plunkett
by Janet R. Poteete

by Joyce Lampman Uphoff
by Mary Jean Wilson

Katherine Cobb Baker
by Sally C. Baker

Thomas "Bud" Barnaby
by Phyllis Barnaby

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by Julie Risk Pope

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by Diane Lee D'Annessa

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by Marjorie Cazier Blecka

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by Kim Harvey Looney

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by Constance Fischer Losvar

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by Martha Bryan Foreman

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by Sarah Burkey Bridgeman

Marie Alexander Burns
by Charlotte Burns Florence

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by Epsilon Eta Chapter

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by Mary Ellen Funderburk

Jane Bangs Campbell
by Elizabeth Campbell Power

Dale Gold Carstens
by Martha Gold Madsen

Callie Chalk
by Patty Mason

Rebecca Jones Clark
by Elizabeth Jones Johnson

Frances E. Smith Crumley
by Janice Crumley Pine

Edna and Welby Cundiff
by Shirley Cundiff Winters

Martha DuMars Davis
by Miriam "Mimi" Davis Reid

Deceased Members of the Beta Iota Chapter Class of 1950
by Mary B. Little Tyler

Gay Deland
by Elizabeth "Liz" Ayscue Katz

Barbara Ditter
by Jean Oestreich Galbraith

Anne Triba Dittrich
by Susan Brown Ferrarini

Benna Bee Duerre
by Gail A. Duerre

Betty A. Ehrman
by Barbara Ehrman Pearson

Cecil Ruth King Eidson
by Anne O. Ewald

Janet Halladay Empey
by Mr. Gene Empey

Margaret Mehlhope Fernstrum
by Theodore and Jean Hodges

Timothy Gibson
by Rosemary McClure Rush

Waldo Gibson
by Annie-Kate Bregle Carpenter

Carolyn Crom Griffith
by Mr. Walter G. Vonnegut

Sally Jeffers Haberfelde
by Jacqueline Black Holmes

Gladys Harvey
by Ann Harvey Donker

Clarice Hull Heinrich
by Mildred "Millie" Cannon Elmgren

Mary Williams Hodgen
by Stephanie R. Liebert

Joan Schumacher Hope
by Phyllis Stevens Harris-Kratz

by Eleanor "Ellie" A. Robb
by Georgia Stripp Rowe

by Elizabeth Greenland Shaver
by West Valley Alumnae Chapter

Jean Phillips Isenbarger
by Margaret Phillips Waters

Dana Ivancevich
by Courtney Smith McKay

Marty Brophy Jones
by Sara Lee Meid Hatlem

Liz Lueder Karnes
by Kathy Dosek Moffat

Eloise Peppard Keyes
by Denny Keyes Alspach and David Alspach

by Mr. and Mrs. Don Cope
by David and Roberta Keyes

by Margaret Powers Kjelland
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Panzer Butler Kimmel
by Carol Kimmel Clowes

Marian Widman Leader
by Susan Leader Wilson

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by Elizabeth "Liz" Ayscue Katz

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by Charleen Lewis Hunter

Virginia Lohmiller
by Quad Cities, IA and IL, Alumnae Chapter

Mathew A. Loritz
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Sue MacKechnie
by Connie Zimmerman Dunlap

Elizabeth "Betty" Camlin Maher
by Diane Ward Jones

Major General Audrey Maroun
by Lois and Gerald Olsen

Joan Potter Marringa
by Eleanor "Ellie" A. Robb

Jean Auld Marshall
by Mildred "Millie" Cannon Elmgren

Philip J. McKenna
by Elizabeth Meister McKenna

Marguerite "Peggy" O'Brien McLaughlin
by Birmingham, MI, Alumnae Chapter

by Joan Harris Brackenbury
by Patricia King Forbush

by Adelaide Andrews Ford
by Adelaide Andrews Ford

Pat Pickett Mitchell
by Jean Pickett Locke

Eleanor Stuckey Mosley
by Betty Stuckey Bohner

Annabelle Parr Myers
by Janet Myers Harless

Sean Nolan
by Jessica vanDusen

Anne Ehrenhardt Nolting
by Jeanne M. Carter

by Lisa L. Martins
by Lynne M. Martins

by Leanne Nelson
by Leon A. Nolting

by Mary K. Spizzo
by Mary K. Spizzo

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by Elizabeth Norman Hawley

Kay Bland Oliver
by Shelly Smith Harrell

Patricia Maloney Ottenad
by Mary Edith Estes Arnold

Ann Hurst Overstreet
by Judith Pinion Morrison

Susan Kay Peterson
by Mary Ellen Peterson

Clara Wilson Pickett
by Jean Pickett Locke

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by Trudy Potter DeVivo

Dorothy Potter
by Carol Potter Sherard

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by Linda Braswell Bailey

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by Pam Quilici

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by Mary Taylor Escherich

Gertrude Carpenter Rankin
by Sara Rankin Stadler

Joline Robinson
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Gertrude Godfrey Ronk
by Nancy Winters Mullins

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by Martha West Griffith

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by Rose Fraser Jacobson

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by Margaret Bump Marlay

Julie Shultz
by Anna Marie Kenamer Rush

Jean Skulstad
by Carolyn M. Warden

Catherine Smithson
by Patricia J. McCann

Margaret Marshall Stouffer
by Mary Marshall Davidson

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by Jane Beeson Keller

Gertrude Humbert Taylor
by Mary Jane Humbert Henry

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by Elizabeth "Liz" Ayscue Katz

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by Becky A. Hafemeister

Lynn Wasson
by Linda Elrod

Gail West
by Elizabeth "Liz" Ayscue Katz

Reggie Borden Western
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Edith Davis Whiteman
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Sue Motter Wigfield
by Nancy Wigfield Kaiser

Marion Lowdon Wiley
by Sally Wiley Bell

Helen Holton Wills
by Lora Wills Clay

Florence Benner Wylie
by Betty Posson Rieger

Bette Black Yeakel
by Mary "Bunny" Black Hardy

Alberta

Doris Kerr Day (Mrs. Tom)
1944; December 2004

Albion

Jean E. Skulstad
1946; January 2005

Allegheny

Mary Barnes Houtz (Mrs. James)
1952; April 2002

Beloit

Shirley Ingels Wilson (Mrs. Ramond)
1953; October 1997

Butler

Marilyn Prince Carter (Mrs. David)
1951; July 2005

Mary Harrison Connor (Mrs. Nicholas J.)
1939; July 2005

Joan Schumacher Hope
1945; August 2005

Barbara Moore Jackson (Mrs. Robert)
1947; September 2005

Doris Glidden Redwine (Mrs. John)
1949; May 2005

Dana Hacker Wolfe
1942; October 2005

Carnegie-Mellon

Vida Jane Hirsch
1944; October 2005

Cincinnati

Mary Beattie Grove (Mrs. Frederic)
1946; July 2005

Marilyn Burleigh Niehaus (Mrs. John)
1947; November 1999

Colorado

Nancy Colton Arnold (Mrs. Merle)
1955; August 2004

Jeanne Rathfon Gray (Mrs. Richard C.)
1943; December 2004

Colorado College

Carol Grismer Ward (Mrs. Philip)
1947; March 2005

Colorado State

Ruth Counter Dammann
1933; November 2004

Betty Jane Pyke Wilson (Mrs. Leonard C.)
1943; July 2005

Cornell

Mary Savage Kyle (Mrs. Peter E.)
1937; October 2005

Gertrude Godfrey Ronk (Mrs. Samuel)
1924; July 2005

Ruth Monin Stroman (Mrs. Henry)
1946; August 2005

Denison

Ann Hazlett Bonesteel
1952; August 2005

Jenny June Gates Scott (Mrs. Woodson)
1938; August 2005

DePauw

Vanessa A. Baer
2003; September 2005

Sarah K. Bechtold
2003; September 2005

Kathleen Biegler Erwin (Mrs. James)
1928; October 2005

Marjorie Swenson Lamport (Mrs. Richard)
1934; December 2004

Duke

Joanne Pressing Vutech (Mrs. Jack)
1947; February 2005

Florida State

Jean O'Steen Giroir (Mrs. Jerry)
1945; July 2005

Fresno State

Ruth Rowe McCormick (Mrs. William)
1953; June 2005

Georgia

Colette Conklin Pitzer (Mrs. Charles)
1943; July 2004

Idaho

Elizabeth Reed Bolte (Mrs. Roswell)
1925

Roslyn Riddle Brewer (Mrs. William)
1945; July 2005

Patricia Albrethsen Kime (Mrs. David)
1960; July 2005

Illinois

Susan M. Eakins
1961; October 2005

Marguerite O'Brien McLaughlin (Mrs. John)
1935; July 2005

Indiana

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1990; January 2005

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1948; August 2005

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1947; October 2005

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